(d) For peaches, no person shall serve more than three (3) consecutive two-year terms of office or a total of six (6) consecutive years; Provided, That an appointment to fill less than a two-year term of office, or serving one (1) term as an alternate, shall not be included in determining the (3) consecutive terms of office; Provided further, That time served prior to the effective date of this section shall not be counted toward consecutive term limits. The members shall serve until their respective successors are selected and have qualified.

[41 FR 17528, Apr. 27, 1976, as amended at 56 FR 46369, Sept. 12, 1991; 71 FR 41352, July 21, 2006]

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTES: 1. At 59 FR 10055, Mar. 3, 1994, in §917.24, paragraph (a), the words "§917.21 and" and in paragraph (c) the words "A grower nominated for membership on the Pear Commodity Committee must have produced at least 51 percent of the pears shipped by him during the previous fiscal period, or he must represent an organization which produced at least 51 percent of the pears shipped by it during such period." were suspended, effective Apr. 4, 1994.

2. At 72 FR 7821, Feb. 21, 2007, in §917.24, paragraph (a), the words "and not later than February 15 for pears" were suspended effective February 21, 2007.

§ 917.25 Selection of members of various commodity committees.

(a) The Secretary shall select the members of each commodity committee from nominations made by growers, as provided in §§ 917.21 through 917.24, or from among other eligible persons. Any person selected as a member of a commodity committee shall qualify by filing with the Secretary a written acceptance of the appointment.

(b) For the Peach Commodity Committee, each person to be selected by the Secretary as a member or as an alternate member of the committee shall, prior to such selection, qualify by advising the Secretary that he/she agrees to serve in the position for which nominated for selection.

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 71 FR 41352, July 21, 2006, in §917.25, paragraph (a), the words "§917.21 through" were suspended, effective Jan. 1, 2007.

§917.26 Failure to nominate.

If nominations are not made within the time and in the manner prescribed in §§ 917.21 through 917.24, the Secretary may, without regard to nominations, select the member and alternate members of commodity committees on the basis of representation provided in §§ 917.21 and 917.22. In the event nominations are not made for membership on the Control Committee, pursuant to the provisions of §§ 917.17 and 917.18, by May 1 of each year, the Secretary may select such members without waiting for nominees to be designated.

[41 FR 17528, Apr. 27, 1976, as amended at 56 FR 46369, Sept. 12, 1991]

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 59 FR 10056, Mar. 3, 1994, in §917.26, the words "§917.21 through" and "§917.21 and" were suspended, effective April 4, 1994.

§917.27 Alternates.

There shall be an alternate for each member of the Control Committee, and an alternate for each member of each commodity committee. Each such alternate shall possess the same qualifications, shall be nominated and selected in the same manner and shall hold office for the same term, as the member for whom he is alternate. An alternate shall, in the event of such member's absence at a meeting of the committee, act in the place and stead of such member; and, in the event of such member's removal, resignation, disqualification, or death, the alternate for such member shall, until a successor for the unexpired term of said member has been selected, act in the place and stead of said member. In the event both a member and his alternate are unable to attend a meeting the member or the committee members present may designate any other alternative to serve in such member's place and stead provided such action is necessary to secure a quorum.

§ 917.28 Procedure for filling vacancies on committees.

To fill any vacancy on the Control Committee or on any of the commodity committees occasioned by the failure of any person selected as a member or as an alternate member to qualify, or